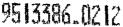
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Dear Messrs. Alexander and Sherwood:

DATA QUALITY OBJECTIVE (DQO) ACTIVITY FOR THE PRELIMINARY DESIGN PHASE OF THE 100 AREA GROUNDWATER OPERABLE UNIT PUMP AND TREAT ACTIVITIES

Discussions with cognizant members of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and State of Washington, Department of Ecology, staff have indicated the need for a formal agreement on the activities needed to support the pump and treat actions currently being planned. The purpose of this letter is to request that EPA and Ecology appoint representatives who will participate as their decision makers in the DQO exercise. The U.S. Department of Energy, Richland Operations Office (RL), representative is Mr. Dave E. Olson of the River Sites Restoration Division. An initial DQO meeting is needed to provide the decision makers with the conceptual information necessary to arrive at defensible decisions. That initial meeting is planned for August 2, 1995. To maintain a workable meeting arrangement it is recommended that each decision maker limit their support to just one technical individual for the initial meeting. RL is requesting written confirmation that your representative will be present during the entire DQO effort and that the decision maker assumes the responsibility of consolidating agency comments subsequent to the meeting.

Should you wish to discuss this matter further, please contact Mr. Olson at 376-7326.

Sincerely,

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